

# CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY

## A. Philip Randolph

(1889-1979)

***A. Philip Randolph was a labor leader and social activist who founded the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters in 1925. The organization was the first African-American-led labor union to sign a collective bargaining agreement with a major U.S. corporation and to be chartered by the American Federation of Labor.***

***Active in the civil rights movement, Randolph organized both the 1941 March on Washington and the 1963 March on Washington, the site of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech. In 1964, Randolph received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Lyndon B. Johnson.***

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